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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MILI, MARR, XF, LE
SUBJECT: LEBANESE UN PERMREP REPORTS POSSIBILITY OF
APPEAL TO HADDAD RE LAF BATALLION

1. LEBANESE PERMREP TUENI PHONED LEONARD AUGUST 10 AT
12:30 PM ON AN URGENT BASIS TO REPORT THAT THERE IS A
GOOD POSSIBILITY THAT DANY CHAMOUN AND AMINE GEMAYEL ARE
PREPARED TO ISSUE AN APPEAL TO HADDAD TO FACILITATE THE
PASSAGE OF THE LEBANESE BATALLION TO TIBNIN. TUENI SAID
HE HAD RECEIVED WORD OF THIS OFFER DIRECTLY FROM THE
PEOPLE CONCERNED AND THAT IT HAD ALSO BEEN COMMUNICATED
TO GENERAL KHOURY.

2. WE DO NOT KNOW WHAT CONDITIONS CHAMOUN AND GEMAYEL
MAY HAVE PUT FORTH FOR MAKING THIS APPEAL NOR CAN WE
VOUCH FOR THE RELIABILITY OF THEIR REPORTED READINESS
ACTUALLY TO ISSUE IT. HOWEVER, GIVEN THE GREAT IMPORTANCE
OF GETTING THE BATALLION TO TIBNIN QUICKLY -- PARTICULARLY
NOW THAT THERE IS THE BASIS FOR A CEASEFIRE IN BEIRUT --
WE WOULD URGE THE MOST RAPID POSSIBLE ACTION BE TAKEN BY
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